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SWANSCOMBE & GREENHITHE TOWN COUNCIL.

Community Safety Committee.

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Councillor Jay Shah

To all other Councillors: For information only

A Meeting of the above Committee will be held on

Wednesday 12 February 2020 at 7.00 pm

at The Council Offices, The Grove, Swanscombe, DA10 0GA.

**Graham Blew
Town Clerk**

Dated: 6 February 2020

Due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted the Press and Public will be excluded from the meeting from item 15 onwards.

Should any member have any questions regarding the content of the agenda or attached papers, please put them to the clerk's office 24 hours in advance of the meeting.

A G E N D A

1. Apologies for absence.
2. Substitutes.
3. Declarations of Interest in Items on the Agenda.

At the Chairman's discretion the meeting will be adjourned at this point to accept questions from the public.

4. To receive items deemed urgent by the Chairman / matters arising from the previous minutes and their position on the Agenda (*for information, not for decisions*).
5. To confirm and sign the Minutes of the Meeting held on 4 December 2019 (p).
6. **POLICE COMMUNITY SUPPORT OFFICERS (PCSO) REPORT (p).**

This part of the agenda allows for the Local Police and PCSO's for Swanscombe and Greenhithe to provide an update on relevant issues and work they have undertaken in Swanscombe and Greenhithe and for members to exchange information with the Police.

Attached are update reports from PCSO's Young and Cripps on activities during December 2019 and January 2020.

In addition for member's information are the advertising posters for recent and upcoming police surgeries.

Recommended: To discuss and advise accordingly.

7. **KENT COUNTY COUNCIL (KCC) COMMUNITY WARDENS REPORT.**

This part of the agenda allows for the KCC Community Wardens for Swanscombe and Greenhithe to provide an update on relevant issues and work they have undertaken in Swanscombe and Greenhithe.

Recommended: To discuss and advise accordingly.

8. **ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR AND EFFECTIVE PUNISHMENTS (p).**

Members are asked to consider the current levels of anti-social behaviour within Swanscombe and Greenhithe, and whether these are effectively punished. Attached for members consideration is the guidance available from GOV.UK on punishments available for anti-social behaviour.

Members are provided with recent correspondence received by the Town Council from a local resident indicating a rise in residents feeling unsafe in their properties.

Recommended: To discuss and advise accordingly.

9. COMMUNICATION.

Members to discuss existing routes of communication regarding community safety issues and methods in which these could be improved.

Recommended: To discuss and advise accordingly.

10. COMMUNITY SAFETY LIAISON.

Members are asked to provide feedback on any Community Safety issues that have been raised whilst liaising with the following organisations:

- Local schools
- Youth services / officers
- Kent Fire Service
- Ebbsfleet Development Corporation
- Neighbourhood Watch
- Community Speed Watch
- Dartford Borough Council (CSU)
- Kent County Council

Recommended: To discuss and advise accordingly.

11. DETAILED ANALYSIS OF CRIME STATISTICS FOR SWANSCOMBE & GREENHITHE (p).

Please find attached detailed analysis of the latest crime statistics for Swanscombe and Greenhithe.

www.police.uk/kent/165/crime/stats (Swanscombe)

www.police.uk/kent/155/crime/stats (Greenhithe)

Recommended: To discuss and advise accordingly.

12. GOVERNMENT CONSULTATION – STRENGTHENING POLICE POWERS TO TACKLE UNAUTHORISED ENCAMPMENTS (p).

The Home Office are seeking the views of local authorities, police forces and other interested stakeholders on strengthening police powers to tackle unauthorised encampments.

Full details are attached and can be found electronically at:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/strengthening-police-powers-to-tackle-unauthorised-encampments>

The deadline for representations and objections is 5 March 2020.

Recommended: To discuss and advise accordingly.

13. CURRENT CRIME RELATED ISSUES.

Members are asked to consider the following highlighted issues:

- a. County Lines – Gangs operating from outside the Borough / Town
- b. Personal Attacks
- c. Closing down of police files
- d. Ability to send CCTV to Kent Police online

Recommended: To discuss and advise accordingly.

14. EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC.

TO RESOLVE: Pursuant to section 1 (2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 that, because of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, the press and public leave the meeting during consideration of the following item.

15. CONFIDENTIAL AGENDA ITEMS.

Please note that this item is for Members to exchange information with the exclusion of the Press and Public, it is not for decisions.



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